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HOUSE BILL No. 1182

DIGEST OF HB 1182 (Updated January 20, 2015 12:21 pm - DI 123)

Citations Affected: IC 10-15; IC 22-12; IC 22-14.

Synopsis: Fire training academy. Increases the board of firefighting personnel standards and education from 11 to 13 members. Requires the division of fire and building safety (division) of the Indiana department of homeland security (IDHS) to establish a fire and public safety academy training system to create and conduct programs to train public safety personnel. Allows the division to develop the programs in cooperation with other agencies, organizations, or educational institutions. Establishes the fire and public safety training system fund.

Effective: July 1, 2015.

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January 12, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Veterans Affairs and Public Safety.

January 20, 2015, amended, reported — Do Pass. Referred to Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to Rule 127.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2014 Regular Session and 2014 Second Regular Technical Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning public safety.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 10-15-3-13 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2015]: **Sec. 13. (a) The fire and public safety training system fund**
4 **is established for the purpose of providing training opportunities**
5 **and infrastructure enhancements to the fire and public safety**
6 **academy training system established under IC 22-14-2-6. The**
7 **department shall administer the fund. The fund consists of the**
8 **following:**

9 (1) Fees collected from local units and safety providers.

10 (2) Money appropriated to the fund by the general assembly.

11 (3) Donations, gifts, real property, personal property, and
12 money received from any other source, including transfers
13 from other funds or accounts.

14 (b) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from
15 money in the fund.

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(c) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public money may be invested. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.

(d) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.

SECTION 2. IC 22-12-3-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.26-2010, SECTION 18, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]: Sec. 2. (a) The education board consists of ~~eleven (11)~~ **thirteen (13)** voting members as follows:

(1) The state fire marshal or the state fire marshal's designee.

(2) The director of the department's division of preparedness and training or the director's designee.

(3) ~~Nine (9)~~ **Eleven (11)** members appointed by the governor, each serving a four (4) year term.

(b) Each appointed member of the education board must be qualified by experience or education in the field of fire protection and related fields.

(c) Each appointed member of the education board must be a resident of Indiana.

(d) The education board must include the following appointed members:

(1) Seven (7) individuals who are members of fire departments.

Appointments under this subdivision must include the following:

(A) At least one (1) individual who is a full-time firefighter (as defined in IC 36-8-10.5-3).

(B) At least one (1) individual who is a volunteer firefighter (as defined in IC 36-8-12-2).

(C) At least one (1) individual who is a fire department officer.

(2) Two (2) citizens who are not members of a fire department.

(3) One (1) emergency management director.

(4) One (1) paramedic licensed under IC 16-31-3.

SECTION 3. IC 22-12-3-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]: Sec. 6. (a) The education board shall meet as it determines necessary.

(b) Meetings of the education board shall be called upon the request of its chairperson or the written request of ~~five (5)~~ **seven (7)** of its members.

(c) Meetings of the education board must be held in Indiana.

(d) A quorum of the education board consists of ~~five (5)~~ **seven (7)** voting members. IC 4-21.5-3-3 applies to an education board action governed by IC 4-21.5. The education board may take other actions by



an affirmative vote of:

- (1) ~~five (5)~~ **seven (7)** members, if less than ~~ten (10)~~ **twelve (12)** members are present and voting on the action; or
- (2) ~~six (6)~~ **eight (8)** members, if ~~ten (10)~~ **at least twelve (12)** members are present and voting on the action.

SECTION 4. IC 22-14-1-3.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]: **Sec. 3.5. "Academy" refers to the fire and public safety academy training system established under IC 22-14-2-6.**

SECTION 5. IC 22-14-2-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2006, SECTION 366, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]: Sec. 6. (a) The division shall **establish the fire and public safety academy training system to create and conduct programs to train public safety personnel.**

(b) **The division shall** develop programs to train:

- (1) fire department personnel and volunteers;
- (2) **emergency medical services personnel;**
- (3) **telecommunicators;**
- (4) **emergency management personnel; and**
- (5) **chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosives personnel.**

(c) The division may develop ~~these~~ training programs in cooperation with:

- (1) any accredited educational institution; ~~or~~
- (2) ~~any~~ fire fighting association;
- (3) **the Indiana emergency response commission established by IC 13-25-1-1;**
- (4) **the Indiana emergency medical services commission established by IC 16-31-2-1;**
- (5) **the board of firefighting personnel standards and education established by IC 22-12-3-1; or**
- (6) **any other public safety agency of the state or political subdivision of the state, or public safety organization or association.**

The ~~division~~ **academy** or the **accredited educational** institution **under subdivision (1)** may conduct the programs.

~~(b)~~ (d) The programs **developed** under this section must cover the areas of:

- (1) fire prevention; ~~and~~
- (2) **enforcement of fire safety laws;**
- (3) firefighting;
- (4) **emergency medical services; and**



- 1 **(5) other areas of public safety.**
2 ~~(e)~~ **(e)** The division shall establish inspection training requirements
3 for members of volunteer fire companies and certify individuals who
4 meet these requirements.
5 **(f) The academy shall collaborate with public safety boards and**
6 **commissions of the state to establish criteria for certification and**
7 **credentialing of public safety personnel.**
8 **(g) The academy may provide programs for research,**
9 **professional development, and accreditation.**
10 ~~(d)~~ **(h)** The division shall provide staff and meeting facilities to the
11 education board to carry out section 7 of this chapter.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, to which was referred House Bill 1182, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, delete lines 7 through 32.

Page 3, line 16, delete "emergency medical services director." and insert "**paramedic licensed under IC 16-31-3**."

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1182 as introduced.)

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Committee Vote: yeas 13, nays 0.

